

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009**

The meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday, May 4, 2009, at 6:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Thompson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar, was answered by Mayor Jason Thompson, Council Members Dave Kelly, Jim Mann, Grace Oilar, Bill Smith, and Eric Storm, and City Attorney George Loy.

There being no additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the meeting on Monday, April 20, 2009, a motion was made by Council member Grace Oilar, seconded by Council member Bill Smith, to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Department Head Reports

Street Superintendent Doug Roberts stated that he has had a request from the Police Department and a citizen to post a "No-Semi, No Truck" sign at the north end of Bluff Street. After discussion, Council Member Jim Mann made the motion to allow the Street Department to put up a "No Truck Allowed" type sign, north of the intersection of Bluff and Marion Streets, seconded by Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried. Doug reported that they laid base at the intersection of 6th and Rickey today. They will be grinding brush soon. He met with the Railroad and INDOT concerning the railroad crossings at Main and Illinois Streets. The City is going to have to make some changes with the signals and smooth out the road.

Wastewater Superintendent Joe Mowrer stated that it is business as usual at the plant. They are hoping for a dry spell. They would like to do some sewer camera work. The water table is up and they have infiltration.

Police Chief Curt Blount stated that the generator is almost complete at the department. Last week on Thursday and Friday, they finished up fire arms training. This week, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, they are going to be doing their emergency vehicle operations training. They have only one more set of training and his department's annual training will be complete for the year.

Fire Chief Shane Swaim stated that they have had occasional busy days. They have been training the Volunteers and Ventures. He is working on finalizing the aerial truck purchase. Training for the truck will be the 21st and 22nd of this month. They are getting the water heater repaired. There is a leak in the sewer drain. He is working on quotes for the roof repair.

Parks Superintendent Mitch Billue stated that summer has started. Last Saturday was Super Saturday at Voigt Park. They are assembling picnic tables. Three planters are completed. They need filled and plants. Drinking fountains are about completed. They will finish cleaning the pool in the next two weeks. They had a skate park meeting at the high school and no one attended. They are going to cut up the brush at the skate park. They will transfer the land as soon as the drainage plan is approved. Summer help starts June 9th. There is a pool employee meeting on May 18th.

Citizen Participation

Kenny Kersey has concern about the semi's that park in front of McDonald's. Police Chief Curt Blount explained that this is an actual pull off that is McDonald's. Therefore INDOT does not govern that area and it is not against the law for semi's to park there.

Financial Report

Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar reported to the Council the Investment Activity Statement for 1st Quarter 2009 – Unaudited. In the 1st quarter, the City's General Fund has earned \$7869.94, the Altherr fund has earned \$4,932.08, Water has earned \$3,340.00, and Wastewater has earned \$4,300.25. This is a combined interest total for the City of Monticello of \$20,442.27.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Consideration of Amendment of Ordinance 2004-10 Designating Economic Revitalization Area; Jordan Manufacturing Company, Inc. Request for Abatement of Real Property Taxes

City Attorney George Loy stated that in September of 2004, the Council designated property owned by Jordan Manufacturing, Dave Jordan, as an Economic Revitalization Area. The Resolution that was adopted is 2004-10 and at the time Jordan Manufacturing was only requesting personal property tax abatement on new manufacturing equipment. It was granted by the Council on a ten year abatement timetable. Dave is now requesting abatement to apply to this area as to real estate. The procedure for doing so is the filing of an application and then review by the Monticello Economic Redevelopment Commission, which has been done. This Public Hearing is for determination as to whether or not the Council wishes to expand this abatement to include real estate. This would be an amendment to Resolution 2004-10. City Attorney George Loy opened the floor for the Public Hearing. Dave Jordan addressed the Council and told them his plans. After discussion, City Attorney Loy closed the Public Hearing. Council Member Grace Oilar made the motion to pass Resolution 2009-03, a request for abatement of real property taxes, establishing a ten year abatement with an unlimited dollar amount, seconded by Council Member Jim Mann. All ayes, motion carried

Determination of Funding for E-One Cyclone II 100' Ladder Truck – Fire Dept

Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar provided the Council with sources of funding to purchase the 2008 E-One Cyclone II 100' Ladder Fire Truck, approved by the Board of Works. After consideration and discussion, Council Member Dave Kelly made the motion to partially

fund the purchase by approximately \$114,586.40 from the TIF revenues, and the Council authorized the execution of the master equipment lease and purchase agreement with Public-Finance.com, Inc. for financing \$450,000.00 of the purchase, over 5 years, as proposed by said agreement, seconded by Council Member Bill Smith. All ayes, motion carried.

Consideration of Ordinance 2009-09; Amendment to White County Zoning Ordinance – Amendment of Single Nonconforming Lot Regulation

Council Member Jim Mann addressed the Council about the proposed new amendment of single nonconforming lot regulation. After discussion, Council Jim Mann made the motion to pass Ordinance 2009-09, seconded by Council Member Grace Oilar. All ayes, motion carried.

Consideration of Ordinance 2009-10; Amendment to White County Zoning Ordinance – Manufactured & Mobile Homes

Council Member Jim Mann addressed the Council in regards to the proposed new amendment about manufactured and mobile homes. After discussion, Council Member Jim Mann made the motion to pass Ordinance 2009-10, seconded by Council Member Grace Oilar. All ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Liz Oilar
Clerk Treasurer